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WE ASK YOUR ASSISTANCE

The basic work of the Alberta Folklore and Local History Project has been the collection of indigenous traditional and historical materials. A good deal of work has been done in this respect, but we believe that the surface of this big collecting job in Alberta has hardly been more than dented.

Frankly, we need your help. In connection with our collection we want Alberta stories. Tales of the particular sort we are interested in include: tall tales, pioneer stories, stories about the weather, ghosts, animals, famous countryside characters or heroes, practical jokers and tricksters, and legends. We would also like local sayings or proverbs, party games and songs used in your community, local superstitions, songs or ballads about local events or characters, or with general regional interest.

We desire historical materials which might fall under the classifications of Indians, rivers, education, railroads, farming, politics, real estate (oil and other developments), crime, religion, National groups, colonies and special settlements, trails, and maps.

We would like to know the location of records of early businesses, school records, church records, and allied materials.

We are particularly interested in old timers' reminiscences, personal records, and diaries.

We would like information as to the whereabouts of copies of certain Alberta newspapers. Among these we might list the Wetaskiwin Free Lance, The Alberta Sun (published in Leduc and later in Strathcona). (This paper was also sometimes known as The Strathcolic)

the High River and Calgary Eye Opener, the Outlaw (printed by the Macleod Gazette, 1896).